

**CHARTER OF THE  
DoD EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR MODELING AND SIMULATION  
(EXCIMS)**

A. MISSION. The mission of the DoD Executive Council for Modeling and Simulation (EXCIMS) is to advise and assist the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology (USD(A&T)) in strengthening the uses of modeling and simulation (M&S) in the Department of Defense.

B. FUNCTIONS

The EXCIMS:

1. Oversees development of DoD M&S policies, plans, programs, publications, and procedures.

2. Encourages improved communication and coordination among DoD M&S activities.

3. Identifies investments in M&S that have high value return in fulfilling DoD requirements, or that fill gaps in M&S capabilities.

4. Promotes joint and cooperative research, development, acquisition, and operation of M&S systems, technologies, and capabilities among DoD components.

5. Recommends DoD M&S goals, objectives, and an investment strategy and plan to achieve them.

6. Recommends DoD components for designation as DoD M&S Executive Agents for general use M&S applications, as needed.

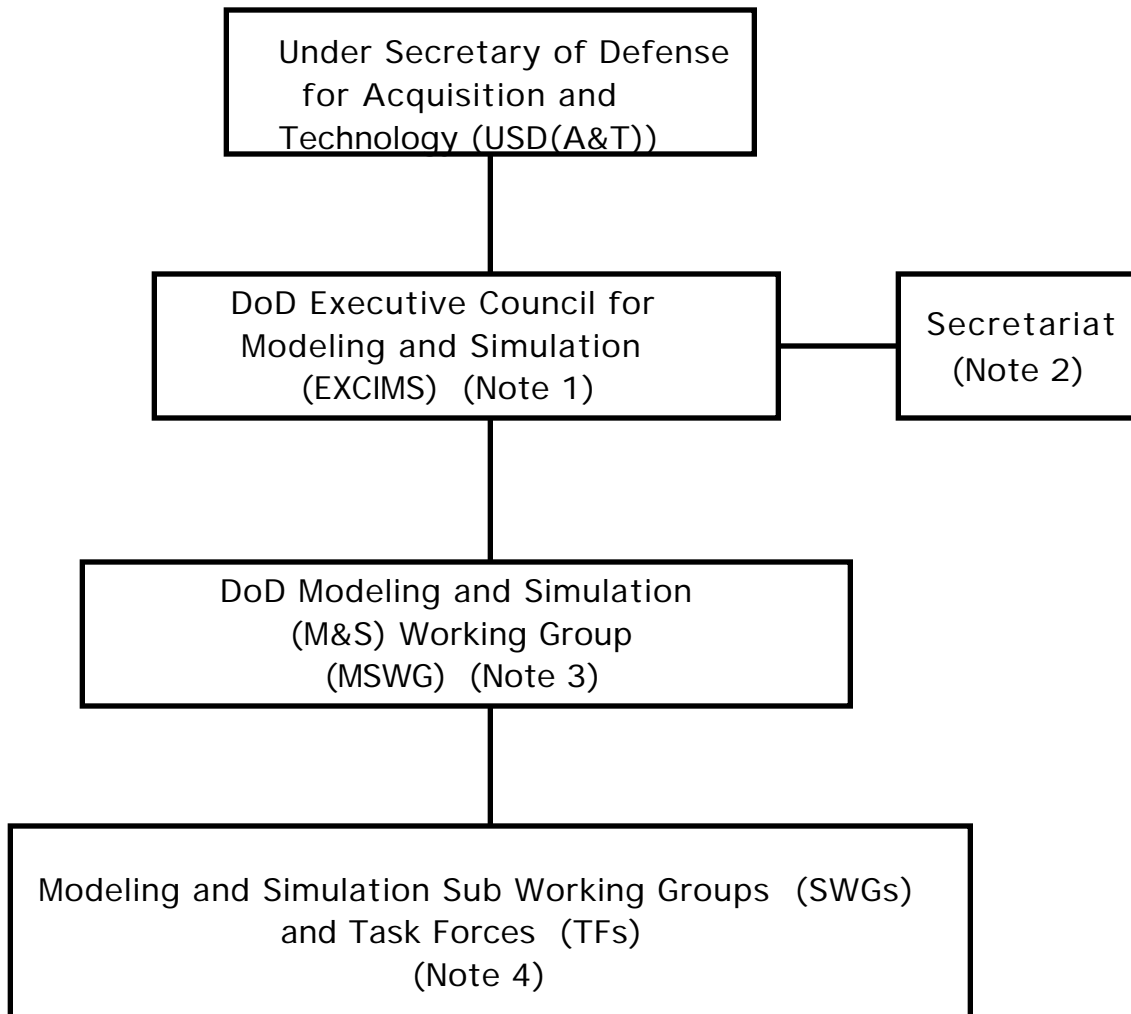
7. Acts as an Executive Steering Committee for DoD general use M&S applications for which Executive Agents have been appointed.

8. Fosters programs to develop and, where applicable, implement DoD M&S interoperability standards and protocols.

C. ADMINISTRATION. The EXCIMS organization includes the Executive Council, a Secretary and administrative Secretariat, and the M&S Working Group (MSWG) with its associated Sub-Working Groups (SWGs) and Task Forces (TFs). (See Figure 1.)

1. Executive Council. The Executive Council advises and assists the USD(A&T) in strengthening the uses of M&S in the Department of Defense. EXCIMS members are Generals, Flag

Officers, and civilians of equivalent rank and precedence. The Director, Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E) chairs the EXCIMS meetings. The USD(A&T) may change EXCIMS membership as



NOTES:

1. Chaired by the Director, Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E)
2. The Defense Modeling and Simulation Office (DMSO) fulfills this role.
3. Chaired by the Director, DMSO
4. Established and disestablished as needed

Figure 1. EXCIMS Organization

needed to fulfill his or her M&S responsibilities; however, the following organizations shall be represented on the EXCIMS:

- a. Deputy Director, Defense Research and Engineering (DDDR&E)
- b. Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communication and Intelligence (ASD(C3I))
- c. Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management and Personnel (ASD(FM&P))
- d. Assistant Secretary of Defense for Program Analysis and Evaluation (ASD(PA&E))
- e. Assistant Secretary of Defense for Production and Logistics (ASD(P&L))
- f. The Joint Staff
- g. Army
- h. Navy
- i. Air Force
- j. Marine Corps

2. EXCIMS Secretary and Secretariat. The Director, Defense Modeling and Simulation Office (DMSO), is the Secretary to the EXCIMS but is not a voting member of the Executive Council. The DMSO functions as the EXCIMS Secretariat and provides administrative support for the EXCIMS.

3. M&S Working Group (MSWG). The MSWG supports the activities of the EXCIMS and responds to guidance and direction from the USD(A&T) and EXCIMS. The Director, DMSO, chairs the MSWG. The membership of the MSWG will normally be O-6 military officers or GM-15 grade civilians. The MSWG promotes coordination and cooperation of DoD M&S at the working level. Members will represent their organization, serve as the DMSO point of contact for M&S issues, and prepare their principals for EXCIMS meetings. MSWG membership shall mirror the organizational makeup of the EXCIMS; however, other organizations may be added by majority vote of the group, as required.

4. Sub-Working Groups (SWGs) and Task Forces (TFs). The USD(A), DDR&E, EXCIMS, or Director, DMSO, may establish SWGs and TFs to perform tasks as needed. SWGs and TFs are action officer

level expert bodies. They focus expertise on specific issues rather than the broader issues addressed by the EXCIMS or MSWG. The USD(A&T), DDR&E, EXCIMS, or Director, DMSO, as appropriate, will conduct an annual review of existing SWGs and/or TFs.

a. SWG Categories. SWGs may exist in a variety of forms and with a range of specializations. SWGs include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Functional Working Groups (FWGs). Experts from recognized, established functional areas (e.g., training, professional military education, military operations, research and development, test and evaluation, production and logistics, analysis) may staff FWGs. Membership in the FWGs shall be determined by a group leader designated by the Director, DMSO.

(2) Technical/Technology Working Groups (TWGs). Experts in technical areas or technologies relevant to M&S (e.g., architectures, networks, communications, graphics, data) will normally staff the TWGs. Group size shall be determined by a group leader designated by the Director, DMSO.

(3) Others. Additional SWG categories may be established as needed.

b. Task Forces (TFs): Task Forces will normally focus on a single issue or problem and are normally of shorter duration than SWGs. The Task Force chair and members shall be appointed by the USD(A&T), DDR&E, or Director, DMSO, as appropriate.

#### D. OPERATIONS

1. The EXCIMS meets at least semi-annually or as required at the call of the USD(A&T) or DDR&E.

2. The MSWG will meet as needed to support the EXCIMS or at the call of the Director, DMSO.

3. The EXCIMS Secretary:

- a. Prepares the EXCIMS meeting agenda.
- b. Coordinates briefings for presentation to the EXCIMS.
- c. Distributes read ahead materials to the members prior to each EXCIMS meeting.
- d. Maintains a record of each EXCIMS meeting.

e. Establishes an action management and tracking system for M&S action items requiring USD(A&T) approval.

f. Establishes M&S SWGs or TFs at the direction of the USD(A), DDR&E, or EXCIMS.

4. SWGs and TFs meet at the call of the leader or as directed by the USD(A&T), DDR&E, EXCIMS, or the Director, DMSO.